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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

Attached is a Form PTO-1449 listing the enclosed documents. Also attached is a Statement of Background Art Information from the Assignee.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the issuance of a first Office Action on the merits, therefore, no fee is due.

This Information Disclosure Statement is intended to be in full compliance with the rules, but should the Examiner find any part of its required content to have been omitted, prompt notice to that effect is earnestly solicited, along with additional time under Rule 97(f), to enable Applicant to comply fully.

Consideration of the foregoing and enclosures plus the return of a copy of the herewith Form PTO-1449 with the Examiner's initials in the left column per MPEP 609, along with an early action on the merits of this application are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted, PILLSBURY WINTHROP LLP

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